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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a customer of a local carrier. I support broadband competition not only as a method of preserving lower costs, but also customer service. It is nearly impossible to solve technical issues or payment problems with the larger companies. I choose to support community-based companies that provide better service and their existence needs to be protected.

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